

REMARKS

The present Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed February 12, 2007, in the above-identified application.

As an initial matter, Applicant acknowledges and appreciates the Examiner's allowance of claims 7, 9-13 and 22-24.

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1-6 and 19-21, citing prior art. Applicant disagrees with the Examiner's rejection of claims 1-6 and 19-21. In the interest of advancing the present application, however, Applicant has canceled claims 1-6 and 19-21, thereby rendering the Examiner's rejection of these claims moot.

As it is believed that all of the rejections set forth in the Office Action have been fully met, favorable reconsideration and allowance are earnestly solicited.

If, however, for any reason the Examiner does not believe that such action can be taken at this time, it is respectfully requested that he telephone Applicant's attorney at (908) 654-5000 in order to overcome any additional objections which he might have.

If there are any additional charges in connection with this requested Amendment, the Examiner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-1095 therefor.

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